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Report Highlights:

In early February, Ethiopia retendered for 400,000 metric tons of milling wheat after canceling an earlier-made contract because the supplier failed to provide the \$10 million performance guarantee. Bids for the re-tender are due March 13. The delivery of the contracted wheat, which will likely be sourced from the Black Sea region, could start by April/May.

Ethiopia Retenders for 400,000 Metric Tons of Milling Wheat:

In late January, according to local press reports, the Government of Ethiopia (GOE) canceled <u>an earlier-made contract</u> with a Pakistani company for 400,000 metric tons of milling wheat. The contract was said to be annulled because the \$10 million performance guarantee was not provided. In early February, Ethiopia issued a re-tender for the same amount. Bids for the re-tender are due on March 13.

The wheat is intended for the government's bread subsidy program, though a portion could be used to replenish some of the country's strategic grain reserve. Like most GOE wheat purchases in the past, the contracted wheat will likely be sourced from the Black Sea region since it is generally the least expensive on the international market. Based on Post's estimate, delivery of the wheat could start by April/May.